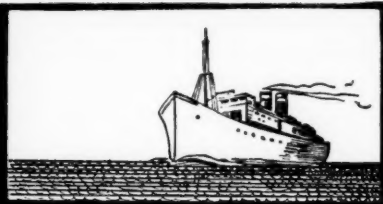


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# STAMP NEWS

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## December Presidentials NOW ANNOUNCED

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## Spain Repeats Her History

By WILLIAM H. RUSCH

THESE days, we are reading about the war in Spain and the many revolutionary stamps that are being issued. The events of recent years remind one of the events of the 1870's in Spain which remarkably parallel the happenings of today. King Amadeo, son of Victor Emmanuel II of Italy, was elected King of Spain in 1870. His was one of the most troubled reigns in history. A monarch who tried to do the right thing, Amadeo wanted his people to have a liberal government similar to that

government. It was impossible to select a ministry that would satisfy a majority of the many political groups in Spain. Eight ministries were formed in the two years of his reign. As each ministry fell, the government became even weaker.



Provisional stamp issued while Amadeo's government was being formed.

Finally, the Spanish government became so disorganized that Amadeo gave up all hope of ever seeing an end to the political warfare in Spain. In February, 1873, he abdicated, expressing the opinion that it was an impossibility for his aims to be attained.

Now, kingless, Spain decided that it should become a federal republic. The republic got off to a good start: It guaranteed religious freedom and the right of the people to vote, and it freed the slaves in Puerto Rico. But the republic could not last long. The Spanish people were not fitted for self-government; long accustomed to the absolute rule of the monarch and divided into numerous warring political factions, the Spanish people soon found that their government was a republic in name only.

The republic found itself in so much confusion, torn by civil wars and all sorts

of political disagreements, that the result was a military dictatorship under Marshal Serrano. Finally, the leaders of the army resolved upon a restoration of the monarchy. Prince Alfonso, the son of Queen Isabella II, was selected and became Alfonso XII.

Thus the cycle was completed: Kingdom to Republic to Dictatorship to Kingdom again. All of these changes are shown by the stamps of Spain. A set



Stamp issued by the government of "King Carlos VII" unsuccessful pretender to the throne.

of stamps issued in 1872 shows King Amadeo; stamps issued in 1873 and 1874 are of republican design showing "Espana" and "Justice"; stamps of 1875 portray Alfonso XII. Also, stamps issued by a revolutionary group from 1873 to 1875 show the portrait of "King Carlos VII."

Today, we can also see by the Spanish postal issues that Spain is repeating her history. Alfonso XIII abdicated, a republic was set up, and this republic is now giving way to dictatorship. And this dictatorship will probably lead to a restoration of the Spanish monarchy.



Queen Isabella II, the unpopular Bourbon ruler whose flight to France caused the election of Amadeo to the vacant throne.

enjoyed by the people of Italy. He wanted the people of Spain to have a voice in governmental affairs. Above all else, Amadeo wanted to put an end to the political uncertainty which characterized this period of Spanish history.

But in his efforts he was unsuccessful. A large percentage of the Spanish people disliked him—some because he was an Italian, some because they wanted a republic, some because they favored Don Carlos, who also claimed the Spanish throne, and others because they disliked his liberal ideas of government.

Amadeo could not establish a strong

### Von David in Boston

Of interest to many collectors throughout the United States will be the news that Dr. Pritchard von David has been appointed Vice President in charge of sales promotion for the New England Stamp Co., Inc., of Boston, Mass. One of the oldest stamp firms in the country, established in 1893, The Scott Stamp & Coin Co. has relinquished its interests in the firm and local persons now control and will manage the business. Dr. Von David is well known, for though he hails from Texas he has attended stamp meetings throughout the country during his extensive travels.

### Air Mail Catalogue

The first complete handbook on airpost covers to appear in the last five years, is expected late this Fall, when the American Air Mail Catalogue appears. Published under the auspices of the American Air Mail Society, the book will represent the efforts of over 50 acknowledged specialists in various branches of aero-philately. It will include 600 pages with maps and illustrations in profusion. The volume will cost \$3.50 and a new edition will not appear again for two years at least. Walter J. Conrath, Albion, Pa., Editor of the *Airpost Journal*, is Business Manager of the catalogue.

### Selinsgrove (Pa.) Exhibition

The Selinsgrove Philatelic Society is holding its Fifth Annual Exhibition on Friday, November 18, from 10 A. M. to 10 P. M., the prospectus not stating where the event will take place in Selinsgrove, Pa. William D. Hetherington is Chairman. Awards will be made in a number of classifications.

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Plans are being perfected for the holding next May at Tulsa, Okla., of the largest philatelic exhibition ever held, between 6,000 and 10,000 frames being expected. The American Associated Stamp Clubs, while holding its meeting at Seminole, Okla., in connection with the annual convention of the Oklahoma Philatelic Society, voted to change its name to "Central-Southwestern Stamp Clubs." The first convention was awarded to Tulsa and this will be held there May 17-21, 1939, in connection with the mammoth Second Tulsa International Philatelic Exhibition, and the "First World-Wide Convention of Philatelists." The Tulsa Stamp Club has announced as host, that 28 foreign countries' governments have pledged their postal departments will send exhibits and that about 16 more are expected to participate. The exhibition will be free to the public. Further information may be obtained of Denny L. Deere, P. O. Box 567, Tulsa, Okla.

## National Stamp Congress

Mrs. Clara J. Camby, 324 Perkins Bldg., Tacoma, Wash., has been appointed chairman of the National Stamp Congress and Exhibit being sponsored by the American Stamp Association. The affair will be held in the Crystal Ballroom of the Hotel Winthrop, Tacoma, on Friday, Saturday and Sunday, January 6, 7 and 8, 1939. Tacoma Stamp Club, Chapter No. 1 of the A. S. A. will be host club. Mrs. Camby will gladly supply any information regarding exhibition entries, etc.

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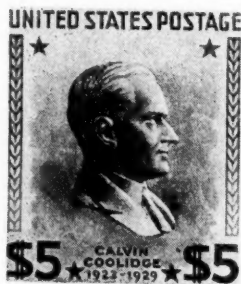
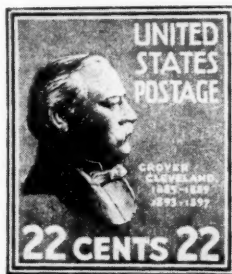
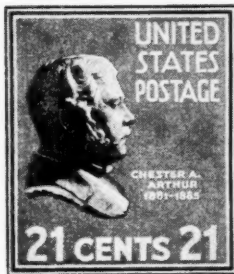
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## The Latest Presidential Designs

On the first of November the Post Office Department released photographs of the designs of the three highest denominations of the Presidentials announced for issue this month. It will be noted that starting with the 20c the designs have a double frame line, this being planned to make the 20c to 50c values differ in appearance from the others. The frame of the \$5 stamp is a replica of the other



two dollar values. It should be noted by some collectors that the 22c will be the highest denomination on which will be shown a president whose numerical sequence in order of terms is the same number as expressed in the stamp's denomination. Cleveland, the 22nd President, appears on the 22c, but he also was 24th President. Harrison was 23rd President, but since it is not planned to issue a 23c stamp, he will be portrayed on the next higher denomination planned, the 24c. McKinley, who was 25th President, will appear on the 25c stamp, but this is an accidental coincidence. Roosevelt, the 26th President, will be portrayed on the 30c and Taft, the 27th President, on the 50c, so collectors should not become confused as some have and think they are using the wrong envelope for their covers.

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## Calendar Of Annual Events

Akron, Ohio.—19th Annual Open House of the Rubber City Stamp Club, Dec. 3-4 at Hotel Mayflower.

Chicago, Ill.—Chicago Antiques and Hobby Show, Nov. 14-19, Stevens Hotel.

Kenmore, N. Y.—Annual Meeting and Dinner of the Kenmore Philatelic Society, Dec. 6, at club rooms, Kinsey and Delaware Avenues.

Norristown, Pa.—Fifth Annual Banquet and exhibition of the Montgomery Stamp Club, Nov. 29, at Ream's Hotel.

Peekskill, N. Y.—Exhibition, Cortlandt Stamp Club, Dec. 1-2.

Pittsburgh, Pa.—Second Annual Exhibition by the East Liberty Y. M. C. A. Phil. Society, Nov. 25-27, at East Liberty Y. M. C. A., 122 Whitfield St., East End.

Reading, Pa.—Seventh Annual Exhibit, Nov. 13-20, corner Centre Ave. and Spring St.

Selinsgrove, Pa.—Fifth Annual Exhibition of the Selinsgrove Philatelic Society, Nov. 18.

Tacoma, Wash.—National Stamp Congress and Exhibit by Tacoma Stamp Club, Chapter No. 1 of the A. S. A., Jan. 6-7-8, Hotel Winthrop.

West Chester, Pa.—Second Annual Exhibition by the West Chester Stamp Club, Nov. 23-27, at the Art Center.

Wichita, Kans.—Seventh Annual Exhibition of the Wichita Stamp Club, Nov. 27-30, at Hotel Lassen

• MICA, N. C., got its name as a post office for obvious reasons as that state is in the fore in producing mica. Possibly the mines near this office dwindled for it's being discontinued on Nov. 30.

• The new Belgian Congo Tourist Congress souvenir sheet bears in the center the flag of the Congo, a blue rectangle with large yellow star. At first this was thought to be just a decoration and was not generally recognized as the flag.

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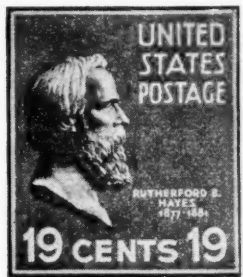
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## Rumor Found Baseless

Rumors having been circulated that the new Presidentials might be replaced soon by other designs due to the plates being defective, Herman Hallstein of the Philatelic Activity of the Brooklyn Edison Club wrote to the Post Office Department inquiring if this were true. The Department replied:

"The report mentioned in your letter did not originate in the Department, and we have received no information of an adverse nature to date from the Bureau of Engraving and Printing with regard to the stamps of the new regular series from the viewpoint of the durability of the printing plates. So far as the Department is now aware, these stamps will be continued in use over a period of years, the same as stamps of previous designs."

The above rumor was apparently based on questions raised by some collectors whether the particular type of designs with the numerous fine lines would stand up as well as other designs, but apparently no trouble has been had in that regard. The above item appeared in *Pabec*, official organ of the Brooklyn club.

## Greenland To Have Stamps

We are indebted to Anthony Terranova for a clipping dated Washington, November 2, which states that Greenland will have an issue of distinctive stamps. The island is second only to Australia in size and population has been growing steadily despite the fact much of the area is covered with ice hundreds of feet thick. The stamps will be of the denominations of 1, 5, 7, 10, 15 and 30 ore, and 1 krona. The two highest values will depict a polar bear and the lower values will portray King Christian X of Denmark. Greenland is a Danish colony, but until now has used the stamps of Denmark. Thus, a new stamp issuing division will be added to albums and catalogs soon.

• Weekly passes of the Capital Transit Co. will advertise National Philatelic Week in Washington. The stamp editor of the *Post*, Wm. M. Stuart, arranged this novelty.

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# **Editor's Notebook**

**NEW SEASON** While most of us collect stamps the year 'round and rare indeed is the dealer who closes for even a few weeks in summer, hot weather does lessen the amount of time each of us devote to philatelic activities. Annually, September sees an upswing in interest. Program chairmen of the clubs dust off ideas put aside in June and meetings take on a livelier appearance; dealers note an increase in sales of hinges—indication of intentions of mounting the new ones accumulated over the summer. Most familiar harbingers of the arrival of Fall, are the announcements of innumerable Annual Exhibitions, Annual Dinners and Open Houses. A few weeks ago we visited Pittsburgh's Golden Jubilee exhibition and bourse and if interest and attendance noted there can be taken as a yard-stick for similar affairs elsewhere, then this season will be a good one for philately.

Things are getting back to normal in stamp issues here and abroad too. The Presidentials will shortly vacate the U. S. stage and become just another regular issue; the George VI Colonials are now out from most of the colonies. These two large groups of stamps have monopolized interest and spending resources of many collectors, and with no other similar

group in sight, dealers can look for more variety in purchases for a change.

Renewed interest in U. S. issues can be expected when the set honoring peace-time heroes appears, the commemorative character and prospective low face value combining to make the set popular. Much is also being expected of the Post Office Department's voluntary acceptance of the chore of publicizing the hobby of stamp collecting by means of its Philatelic Truck. For years the national societies have timidly approached the matter of publicity, hampered by their self-appointed treasury watchdogs. That the Department is putting its power behind a campaign to interest thousands of new collectors can only result in many new recruits to the hobby, and a better appreciation of it by the general public.

It's pleasant to note that the almost insane craze of cachets for the most trivial events has subsided almost entirely. The deluge of National Air Mail Week can be credited with hastening the end of the Cachet-For-Anything Era. Many of the devotees never were stamp collectors and many others who finally realized what they were doing, abandoned their shoe boxes for albums, the multitude of new postage stamps proving far more pleasing to their eyes than the multitude of cachets of doubtful collection worth.

Reports in the wholesale and investment market indicate the speculators have already unloaded the bulk of their holdings. Coronations of some colonies are reported to have returned to those places to be used as ordinary postage, thus neatly ridding the hobby of holdings not readily and in fact almost impossible of absorption in the philatelic market. The same has happened with those very recent U. S. issues, also unwisely bought. Thousands of sheets have passed through the brokers and been used for postage, though admittedly large quantities still remain to be liquidated. This manner of disposal has benefited the hobby in two ways, by cutting down the surplus of unused stock, and adding to the never abundant used stock.

It's too early to predict what fields this fall will see the most activity but new issues of the non-souvenir sheet class will continue to take the lead from what we have noticed, hand in hand with that old standby, U. S. 20th Century.

—R. R.

## **Perfs and Imperfs**

### **THE EDITORS OF THE AIRPOST**

*Journal* are to be commended for their demand for authentic information in the reported finding of a number of sheets of the 6c airmail imperf horizontally. Some time back we suggested that no listings of "errors" be

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**EVER NOTICE MANY STAMP COLLECTORS** have another hobby? The other night we journeyed with other members of the Columbus club to enjoy the hospitality of Fred Burton of Baltimore (Ohio), also home town of our Precancel Editor. Our host had a collection of dinner bells, not to mention coins and paper money, all kept in the best stamp(?) den we've seen to date. It's in the cellar but that had absolutely nothing, we as sure you, to do with our opinion.

**CONGRATULATIONS ARE IN** order to the Roosevelt Philatelic Society for the fourth anniversary of their new club bulletin, *The Straight Edge*, and to Editor W. T. Walters for conducting it so well during that period. Certainly a mark for other clubs to shoot at.

**COLLECTORS IN THE HABIT OF** looking for stamps in dumps should use caution. Yes sir, stamp collecting is a dangerous hobby. Joseph Primogenito, 25, of Buffalo lost his life when struck by a truck as he searched for stamps at a dump. Forewarned is forearmed, and collectors in the future will have to add red flags and tail lights to their standard equipment.

**EGYPTIANS GREETED THOSE RE-**ports of the "invasion from Mars" panic down east with yawns—they have one of those affairs practically every time a new stamp appears.

**WE HATE TO SEE THAT \$2.00 BLUE** capitol stamp disappear from use, for it certainly was a beauty. It was about the finest steel engraving you could exchange two dollars for.

**COMMENT IN E. B. POWER'S** *Eleventh Horse Sense*, "I've just mounted U. S. commemorative collection in blocks with plate numbers and when finished it is unsatisfactory and ugly." The man must wear a bullet-proof vest!

**THERE'S SURELY A LOT OF IN-**tensive measuring of perforations of 1c Kansas City Bureau Prints in the search to find more copies of the newly discovered endwise coil waste of the 1c Franklin perforated 11.

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## U. S. NOTES

Roy N. Murray of Roanoke says he recently picked up a block of eight of the 1926 10c "Map" airmail stamp, which has, he writes, "C. V. De B. on the same position a plate number would be." These letters are the initials of Clyde V. De Binder (if we recall his name correctly). Prior to about 1929 it was customary to see initials like these alongside the stamps in the lower corners of the plates. They are the initials of various employees of the engraving department of the Bureau, who made the plates. Frequently there are two sets of initials next to the stamp and just as frequently the initials are doubled from being hastily entered with steel punches. A few collectors collect these, though generally there was never much interest shown in them. De Binder is or was a stamp collector by the way. The normal position of the plate number on all flat plate issues (of which the 10c Map was one) was to be alongside the fifth stamp from the outer corners of the plate. In 1930 the numbers at sides of plates were omitted. Numbers on rotary press stamps have appeared, in general, opposite the corner stamps. Plates made about 1908 at the Bureau had the initials stamped on them of every employee handling them, resulting in many sheets having rows of jumbled letters along the entire margins of panes as sold at post offices. These markings are usually termed "engraver's initials."

Ever see how those perforated initials are made? You know, the ones that appear so frequently on the stamps of big firms. One machine used will perforate with the design a row of ten stamps at a time and not more than several sheets at a time. It works, and looks in size, like the common trimming board. The design is made of pins which punch through the paper and slide into a steel plate drilled with holes to match, thus neatly punching out the paper.

Scott's subsidiary, J. C. Morgenthau & Co., Inc., recently offered a large lot of blocks of the 1890 imperforates, including 15 different trial color proofs of the 6c and large blocks signed by Postmaster General Wanamaker, famous department store operator. The 1890 issue imperforate was supposed to have been issued by exchange at that time for the benefit of a dealer who was rearranging the government's collection. Only one sheet of each value was issued, the story goes, he presenting a full sheet of perforated ones in exchange.

J. M. Bartels says the Philadelphia die of the 3c Centennial envelope in red exists in only three or four copies and that none were officially issued. He says they are at best samples or trial printings. So No. 2423a is another catalog number that should be deleted.

A recent offering on the stamp market was a set of over 50 different die proofs from the estate of the late Postmaster General Harry S. New including those of all stamps issued during his term of office, 1921-1929.

Imperforate U. S. continue in demand, and with exception of the Farleys and miniatures, offerings are scant. A recent offering in the Mint Sheet Brokerage bulletin board was for a sheet of 2c Harding, price \$150. Face value was only \$8, quite a climb in 15 years.

The branch post office established at the A. P. S. Convention used the usual style, handstamp postmark inscribed "AMER. PHILATELIC SOCIETY CONV. STA. NEW ORLEANS, LA." with four thin bars to right of circle. Thanks to Minnie Rosse, Secretary of the Rubber City Stamp Club for a specimen cover.

Price Robinson of Fresno, Calif., asks if there is any record of an error of the 2c Red Cross 1931 commemorative. He has run across a copy which has the red cross much closer to the globe than in other copies he has seen and wonders if this is an error. Varieties such as this are not uncommon, we regret to advise, for such can be expected of any stamp printed in two or more colors.

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Probably the rarest items among specialties of 20th Century U. S. are the proofs and essays. Though Scott lists these in the catalog, none have been issued except by favor or else through dispersing of the effects of estates of engravers. Some of the pieces are very beautiful, and their prices are not to be wondered at, considering that in many instances only one or two copies are known to exist in private hands.

Tough luck of the sort to make one itch to commit mayhem is recorded in *Western Stamp Collector* regarding one first day cover collector's poor luck. He sent his first day cover of the new \$1 addressed care of the U. S. Consul at Buenos Aires, Argentina, but when it got back someone had peeled off the new Wilson stamp and substituted a copy of the \$1 old-style and then to cover up the theft had drawn pencil marks to look like the cancel!

The number of U. S. postoffices has declined nearly 20,000 during the last thirty years, mainly due to establishment of rural routes via automobile.

That some folks collect full imperf sheets of U. S. is evidenced by an inquiry in the *Mint Sheet Brokerage Bulletin* for such a sheet of the Hudson-Fulton 1909 2c.

## Cortlandt Exhibition

The Cortlandt Stamp Club of Peekskill, N. Y., will hold its annual exhibition at Peekskill, N. Y., on December 1 and 2. Entries by other collectors are invited and inquiries should be addressed to Fred Gamble, Stamp Editor, *Highland Democrat*, Peekskill, N. Y. The club also has a miniature sheet prepared, which it is selling at 10c each or three for a quarter, and will use one on outside of a cacheted cover at same rate during the show. These may be obtained of Mrs. Fred Moore, Secy., 14 S. Division St., Peekskill, N. Y. The sheet is a gummed affair printed on white paper with ruled blank spaces in center, to which the three lowest values of the Presidential series have been affixed.

(Editor's Note: Other clubs planning similar sheets should note that postal laws prohibit use of labels on face of covers).

## First Day Calendar

- \$5 Coolidge of new issue, Nov. 17, at Washington, D. C.
- 21c Arthur of new issue, Nov. 22, at Washington, D. C.
- 22c Cleveland of new issue, Nov. 22, at Washington, D. C.
- 24c Benjamin Harrison of new issue, Dec. 2, at Washington, D. C.
- 25c McKinley of new issue, Dec. 2, at Washington, D. C.
- 30c Theodore Roosevelt of new issue, Dec. 8, at Washington, D. C.
- 50c Taft of new issue, Dec. 8, at Washington, D. C.

• James H. Obrig, Chairman of the Plate Varieties Committee of the B. I. A., suggests the use of a medium green piece of cellophane when trying to locate plate varieties on the 1/4c Franklin. He says in the *Bureau Specialist* that regular photographer's glass filters are perfect for such study and recommends the four colors of red, orange, green and violet to use in that manner for studying the various colored stamps.

• South American stamp papers when referring to "the catalog" refer invariably to Yvert's, which because of the similarity of language is easy to use.

## The Canadian 13c Pictorial

As announced two weeks ago, the Canadian postal service will issue a 13c stamp on Nov. 15 as an addition to their new regular series issued June 15. The



Deputy Postmaster General states the delay was "on account of difficulty experienced in fitting a suitable design into the plan followed in our new general issue of higher denomination stamps." The date "1938," it might be noted, will be found in the design just above the frame line of the scene above the "S" of "CENTS."

## Kenmore Annual Meeting

The Kenmore Philatelic Society has announced its program for meetings scheduled until next June. The annual meeting is scheduled for December 6, with a "Roast Beef Dinner" chief portion of the meeting. In fact, food is a feature, it seems, of Kenmore meetings, for we note a pig roast is scheduled for Nov. 15 and a venison dinner for Jan. 17, with just plain "eats" for the election on Nov. 8. Ernest Jarvis of the Kenmore Stamp Company is scheduled to show British Colonials on the 29th of this month. Meetings are held at the club rooms, Kinsey and Delaware Avenues, Kenmore, N. Y., every Tuesday evening, September to June.

• The new 10 soles Peruvian air mail stamp depicts the Crypt of The Heroes in the cemetery of Lima. This beautiful memorial holds the remains of veterans of the War of Independence, the war with Spain in 1866 and the war with Chile in 1879.

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Therefore you can still get Linn's Weekly Stamp News four whole years for one dollar in the U. S. A. This offer, however, is to be held open only a short time yet and we urge that you make your renewal provided your subscription is to expire soon or that you tell your collector friends about this extraordinary offer in order that they may take advantage of same. The offer positively will be withdrawn soon so act at once. Address your subscription to Linn's Weekly Stamp News, Columbus, Ohio.

# The Postage Stamp Parade

A Record of New Issues and New Discoveries

By RAY SHEPARD—1529 Duxberry Ave.—COLUMBUS, OHIO

**DOMINICAN REPUBLIC—Air Post.** Photogravure, sheets of 50 (5 x 10), unwmkd., perf. 12:

10c. green (Aeroplane and Lighthouse)  
(R. Roberts)

Quantities printed of the "Trinitarian" Centenary Issue, noted by us Sept. 3rd., were: 1c.—200,000; 3c.—300,000; 10c.—100,000.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**FRANCE—New Postage Design.** Small upright rectangular format, numeral of value in lower right corner. Unwmkd., perf 13½ x 13:

10c. ultramarine (Hermes)  
20c. red-violet (same)  
(Morris Jacobowitz)

**JUGOSLAVIA—Semi-Postals.** Photogravure, sheets of 100 (10 x 10), unwmkd., perf. 11 x 12½. Design: Balkan Games. 50p. and 2D. are upright, other two horizontal format:

50p. plus 50p. orange-brown  
1D. " 1D. green  
1D50. " 1D50. claret  
2D. " 2D. blue  
(R. Roberts)

100,000 were printed of the semi-postal set noted by us October 1st.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**NEW ZEALAND—New King George VI Issue.** Engraved, perf. 14 x 13½:

1½d. purple-brown (King George VI)

**Official Stamps.** Above value has been overprinted for official use as also the 2½d. pictorial design noted below:

1½d. purple-brown  
2½d. purple-slate & sepia  
(A. J. Bower)

**PORTUGUESE INDIA—New Regular Issue.** Name and value in black, perf. 13½ x 13:

**Postage**

1r. gray-olive (Vasco da Gama); 2r. orange-brown (same); 3r. dark violet-brown (same); 5r. bright green (same); 10r. dark carmine (Mousinho de Albuquerque); 1t. bright red-violet (same); 1½t. red (same); 2t. orange (Prince Henry the Navigator); 2½t. blue (same); 3t. slate (same); 5t. rose-violet (Fomento); 1rp. brown-carmine (same); 2rp. olive-green (same); 3rp. blue-violet (Alfonso de Albuquerque) 5rp. red-brown (same).

**Air Post**

1t. scarlet (Aeroplane over Globe); 2½t. bright violet (same); 3½t. orange (same); 4½t. bright blue (same); 7t. brown-lake (same); 7½t. blue-green (same); 9t. red-brown (same); 11t. magenta (same).

(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

**RUSSIA—Child Welfare Issue.** All are horizontal rectangular format except the 15K, which is upright. Perf. 11½ x 12, unwmkd:



10k. deep green (Nurse and mother weighing baby)  
15k. blue-green (Children and teacher around statue of Lenin)  
20k. dark violet (Children looking thru microscopes)  
30k. red-violet (Bugler and boys at Youth Camp)  
40k. light brown (same as 20k.)  
50k. deep blue (children playing with mechanical toys)

80k. light green (same as 50k.)

(Morris Jacobowitz)

**ST. LUCIA—King George VI Issue.** Engraved, script wmkd. C. A. Six lower values are perf. 14½x14, except the 1d. which is perf. 12½. These values are small normal size showing head of King. Others up to 5s. are horizontal of various sizes and pictorial as noted. 10s. is upright:

½d. green (King George VI)  
1d. purple (same)  
1½d. rose (same)  
2d. gray (same)  
2½d. ultramarine (same)  
3d. orange (same)  
6d. mauve (Columbus Square)  
1s. brown (Government House)  
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5s. purple & black (Steamer loading Bananas)  
10s. black on yellow (Arms of the Colony)  
(KenMore Stamp Company)

**ST. THOMAS & PRINCE ISLANDS—New Regular Issue.** Name and value in black, unwmkd., perf. 13½ x 13:

**Postage**

1c. gray-green (Vasco da Gama); 5c. orange-brown (same); 10c. dark carmine (same); 15c. dark violet-brown (same); 20c. slate (same); 30c. rose-violet (Mousinho de Albuquerque); 35c. bright green (same); 40c. brown (same); 50c. bright red-violet (same); 60c. gray-black (Fomento); 70c. brown-violet (same); 80c. orange (same); 1E. red (same); 1.75E. blue (Prince Henry the Navigator); 2E. brown-carmine (same); 5E. olive-green (same); 10E. blue-violet (Alfonso de Albuquerque); 20E. red-brown (same).

**Air Post**

10c. scarlet (Aeroplane over Globe); 20c. bright violet (same); 50c. orange (same); 1E. bright blue (same); 2E. brown-lake (same); 3E. blue-green (same); 5E. red-brown (same); 9E. carmine (same); 10E. magenta (same).

(Gibbons' Monthly Supplement)

**SALVADOR—Air Post Commemoratives.** Liberation of slaves and the death of Dr. Jose Simeon Canas. Engraved, sheets of 50 (10x5), unwmkd., perf. 11½:

15c. orange (Portrait of Dr. Canas)  
20c. green (same)  
30c. brown (same)  
1C. black (same)  
(R. Roberts)

**SOUTH WEST AFRICA—Variety.** One constant variety occurs in the overprint on the 1½d. Official noted by us Sept. 10th. This is on the second stamp of the bottom row, where a broken "L" makes it read "OFFICIAL."

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**SPAIN—Air Post Stamp.** Heroic Defense of Madrid Issue. Semi-postal stamp of 1938, surcharged in black in one line "AEREO plus 5 pts." Unwmkd., perf. 11½. Printed on a souvenir sheet measuring 118x104½mm. containing one stamp to the sheet:

SP13—45c. plus 2p. plus 5p. blue and greenish-blue  
(Scott's Monthly Supplement)

**STRAITS SETTLEMENTS—Trengganu.** Sheets of 120 (2 panes of 60, 6 x 10) Script wmkd., perf. 14:

8c. gray (Sultan's head)

(R. Roberts)

**SUDAN—**Quantities issued of the four provisionals noted by us August 20th, were: 5m. on 2¼P.—171,350; 8P. on 3¼P.—17,650; 3P. on 7½P.—37,750; 5P. on 10P.—32,400. The 3P. on 3¼P. was quickly sold out.

(Gibbons' Stamp Monthly)

**SWITZERLAND—**New symbolic design, with franc values on yellow surfaced paper. Engraved, unwmkd., perf. 11½. The paper of the franc values is also granite; size of stamp 41x25mm:

20c. red-white plain paper  
3f. maroon on yellow  
5f. slate on yellow  
10f. green on yellow  
(R. Roberts)

**VATICAN CITY—International Christian Archaeological Congress Commemorative Issue.** All horizontal rectangular format, unwmkd., perf. 13½ x 14. Two designs, one we shall term a crypt, the other appears to be some sort of an underground court yard:

5c. sepia (crypt)  
10c. bright orange (same)  
25c. bright green (same)  
75c. deep carmine (court yard)  
80c. bright purple (same)  
1.25L. deep ultramarine (same)  
(Morris Jacobowitz)

## New British Colonials

The *Philatelic Trader* reports the Crown Agents have sent to the respective colonies the following of the new George VI issues: Gilbert and Ellice, ¼, 1½, 2, 2½, 3d, 1/- and 2/6; Jamaica, ½d, 1, 1½d, 5/- and 10/-; Mauritius 3c. In addition Johore has changed the color of its 12c stamp to blue and a supply of these have been shipped.

## ADDITIONS AND REVISIONS

To KenMore British Colonials Catalog			
PRICE CHANGES		ADDITIONS	
Canada		Dominica	
108	(1) .15	97-104	(8) .75
182	(1) .06	105	(1) .75
188	(1) .06	106	(1) 1.50
Br. Solomon		St. Kitts	
79-86	(8) .75	87	(1) .75
Jubilee	3.00	88	(1) 1.50
Great Britain		St. Lucia	
209	(1) 9.00	107-14	(8) .75
		115	(1) .60
		116	(1) 1.50
		117	(1) 3.00
Johore		Sudan	
83	(1) 2.25	433	(1) .10
		434	(1) 3.00
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153-54 Pr.	6.00	436	(1) .45

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## The Stamp Trade

A discussion of Stamp Collecting and Stamp Dealing from the Business angle by the Managing Editor.

GEORGE W. LINN

### WE APPRECIATE IT

We certainly do appreciate the letter reprinted below. We know that Mr. Fawcett speaks his mind as any good newspaper man should speak his mind. The letter stamps Mr. Fawcett as a journalist of the old school, the school in which we had our training.

Away back in the 70's my father was a newspaper editor, printing and publishing his own newspaper, the early editions of which were pulled off on a Washington Hand Press. Those were the days of such typical American Editors as Henry Watterson. Those were the days when Editors said and printed what they thought. It is to be regretted that those days have passed for most Editors.

The average Editor of today is managed by the Business manager and the Business manager has an eye to advertising patronage, the policy of a paper is no longer in the hands of the Editor but in the hands of the "Boss" who thinks first in dollars and cents.

It is to be regretted that the public has accepted this fact, public acceptance makes it much easier for the Editor to be led.

We have often thought that we might go ahead faster, attain greater success, were we to follow in the footsteps of the new school, soft soap, salve and salomi—everything everybody does is "Ho-Kay" or if it "aint" don't print it. Take sides? Sure, but always take the side that looks like it's going to go the farthest.

However, it is hard to learn an old dog new tricks and so long as we have a conscience we will probably continue to think for ourselves, and we hope we can still keep the courage to face our fellow men and print and speak our thoughts.

George W. Linn.

### THE EVENING STAR—THE SUNDAY STAR Washington, D. C.

October 30, 1938

Dear Friend:

May I congratulate you on the tenth anniversary of Linn's Weekly Stamp News and wish you prosperity during the next decade?

There is a certain bravery about what you do, a certain independence about how you do it, that I appreciate.

If we have not always agreed about details, we surely have been in harmony on principles.

The philatelic public at large, I think, owes you a debt of gratitude. That, in any event, is my personal feeling.

Faithfully,

James Waldo Fawcett.

George W. Linn, Esq.,  
Editor and Publisher,  
Linn's Weekly Stamp News,  
Columbus, Ohio.

### WANT PRESIDENTIAL COVERS?

The publishers again want to state that they can not supply any of the First Day Covers of the Presidential series. We do not deal in such covers. In this issue we call attention of persons wanting covers, to the advertisement of the Modern Stamp Co., of Milwaukee who offer these covers. We get many requests from collectors who want our envelopes used for first day covers and any dealer having such to offer will do well to advertise them. We do not know if the covers offered by the Modern Stamp Co., are on our envelopes.

### D. S. WYLIE CONTRACT

Beginning in this issue you will find an advertisement of D. S. Wylie of New York. Mr. Wylie has contracted for a period of time and we feel free to say that he has long been well and favorably known among New York Dealers.

### WAGES AND HOURS BILL

Almost every stamp dealer in the United States, at least the dealers who do their business principally by mail will be affected by the new Wages and Hours bill which prohibits a work week of more than 44 hours for employees unless time and a half is paid for overtime and prohibits an hourly wage of less than 25c per hour for this first year.

Sooner or later the law will catch up with you if you try to avoid this new law.

What interests us most, however, is the fact that this law will and does apply to Philatelic Publishers. Included along with philatelic publishers will be those smaller prairie print shops which have specialized in cheap printing because they employed cheap labor. Plants of this sort printing Philatelic and other publications for publishers located in other distant states will have to comply with this law as well and compliance in some cases is certain to mean an increase in their printing prices for publishers of the class of publications that have patronized these plants.

For our part we welcome this new law for we have always been of the belief that a laborer was worthy of a decent living wage and even as yet that figure is too low for better class people.

### NOVEMBER KENMORE KOLLECTOR

The November number of the Kenmore Kollector is another 16 page issue filled with offers of British Colonial stamps from the Kenmore Stamp Company. Besides offers of both old and new issues, there is also a complete listing of all new George V stamps to this date.

Included in the issue are numerous interesting news notes and "Ken of Kenmore" has an interesting discussion of recent Scott Catalog prices as applied to British Colonial Stamps.

An announcement of much interest is the announcement of the new 1939 edition of the Kenmore Price List of British Colonial Issues, which is in preparation and which is to be quite enlarged and expanded in content over the first edition. Besides a more complete listing of the stamps, both used and unused will be priced and the list will contain numerous illustrations.

### BRITISH NORTH AMERICA LIST

Mr. J. N. Sissons of Toronto, Canada, has just issued a very complete new list of British North American stamps. Many of the stamps are priced in both good and fine condition and many others used, unused and in blocks. The list should be of interest to all collectors of these popular issues. Mr. Sissons' announcement appears regularly in our columns.

### STANLEY GIBBONS ISSUES ILLUSTRATED U. S. CATALOGUE

Our advertising columns this week carry an announcement from Stanley Gibbons, Inc., of New York, regarding the issue of a new U. S. Catalogue which will be fully illustrated. This new catalogue will consist of over 110 pages, loose leaf, printed on one side of the paper only, leaving ample room for notes etc. The catalogue will contain much information regarding stamps, quantities printed and other notes of interest. The catalogue will have a leatherette cover and will include a new feature in the pricing of complete U. S. Envelopes which are becoming quite popular. Envelopes will also be illustrated. The price of this new catalogue will be one dollar postpaid. For many years past the Gibbons Price List has been the "under the counter" price list of many leading dealers and this new list should prove of immense value and interest to all collectors.

### LOS ANGELES TO NEW YORK

One of our new contract advertisers who has already reported excellent results from his advertisements of only inch size now advises us

that he is moving from Los Angeles to New York City. Mr. B. W. Gelb has made some very interesting offers and asks that his customers be patient with him over the period of his removal from the west to the east coast. His announcement is in our advertising columns.

## Philatelic Labels

There has already been shown much interest in the list of Philatelic Labels which is now being printed in this paper. A further listing is given herewith. Clubs issuing new labels, please send specimens for inclusion in the listing.

In order that there may be less confusion I will ask all who wish to help in supplying information for this list, that they report anything unlisted, to me at once, but that their reports be confined week by week, solely to the states that are printed and listed each week.

### OHIO

#### AKRON

#### Rubber City Stamp Club (1934)

1-1 Miniature sheet,  $5\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2}$ . Back page of program for Exhibition and Bourse, December 1, 2, 1934. Club emblem in center in blue. Perforated, ungummed. Brown and blue on buff surfaced paper.

#### Rubber City Stamp Club (1936)

1-2 Stamp  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$ . Club emblem at top. The 1936 Open House, December 5, 6. Black on orange, gummed and perforated.

#### Rubber City Stamp Club

1-3 Stamp,  $2 \times 1$ , picture of Mayflower. 16th Annual Open House, December 7, 8. Black on orange, gummed, unperforated.

#### CLEVELAND

#### Garfield-Perry Stamp Club (1937)

2-1 Souvenir sheet  $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{2}$ . Bishops Penny Post Stamp in center. "1890 Anniversary, March 6, 7, 1937." Engraved, black on white, ungummed, unperforated.

#### Garfield-Perry Stamp Club (1938)

2-2 Miniature sheet,  $3 \times 3$ . Portrait of Garfield and Perry in center. "48 Annual Party," March 11, 12, 13, 1938. Gummed and perforated, white paper. Black on white.

2-3 Red and black on white.

2-4 Blue and black on white.

2-5 Green and black on white.

2-6 Brown and black on white.

#### Garfield-Perry Stamp Club (1935)

2-7 Miniature sheet,  $3\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{1}{4}$ . Design of stamp, with portrait of Garfield and Perry. 45th Annual, March 15-17, 1935. Green on pale green surfaced paper, ungummed, unperforated.

#### COLUMBUS

#### Columbus Philatelic Club (1935)

3-1 Miniature sheet,  $3\frac{1}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{4}$ . Block of nine 10c Confederate stamps, with marginal inscription, Columbus, Ohio, January 12, 1935, for annual party. Blue on white, gummed.

#### RAVENNA

#### Ravenna Stamp Club (1937)

4-1 Stamp,  $1\frac{1}{2} \times 1\frac{1}{4}$ . Flying eagle in center in red. Second annual exhibition, April 15, 1937. Believed printed in sheets of six. Red and black on white, gummed.

## DO YOU COLLECT Philatelic Labels

Seals, stickers and souvenir sheets as issued by the various Stamp Clubs and Societies for their Annual Exhibitions and meets. Their popularity is growing and many are finding this a fascinating sideline, giving them a historic record of Club activities.

I can offer you a nice start, supplying you with 50 different pieces, including the complete set of 30 different two color stamps issued for the first year of National Philatelic Week in 1935 and 20 other stamps, and souvenir sheets, mostly in colors all postpaid for \$1.00.

GEORGE W. LINN

531 N. Park St.

Columbus, Ohio



# PRECANCEL STAMP NEWS

Send information on new issues and notes of interest to  
K. M. GIERHART, BALTIMORE, OHIO

## PRE-DATEDS

Delving back into the dark dim past, if memory is to be my guide, it seems that I recall writing several times about datings on postage due stamps. The ones in question were from Tampa, Fla., the 10c and 30c values were the denominations in question. So in an effort to prove this to myself I started rummaging thru the boxes and barrels that I keep my stamps in and altho I did not find the particular items I was looking for, which was to be expected, I did find several other pieces that prove the point just as well. Now here is the method of imprinting the PRE-DATEDS. In every instance it was applied with some sort of a rubber dating device common to offices and was placed at random over the sheet of precancels. The first piece I discovered was a horizontal block of ten of the 10c B81 from New York. The date 9-36 is stamped all over the piece. The other item I found was a 1917 type 50c Due from Los Angeles with the date "Aug. 15"—the year date just missing the stamp. With an unusual memory pang I suddenly remembered where my Tampa dues were and lo and behold I found a nice block of six of the 30c 1917 dues in the U-12 type dated in a big rubber stamp, "Feb. 6-1933," at three places on the block. So I offer for your consideration the forerunner of our present dateds, the PRE-DATEDS. Just where the stamps accumulated their dates I am not sure but I would rather think that this dating was administered at the post office rather than by the user of the stamps. Comments and news of other Pre-Dateds solicited. Write me about what you have. Have you one that antedates the Feb. 6, 1933, item mentioned above?

## HANDSTAMPS DEFENDED

The Bee has been publishing comments pro and con about the "BOKER plan" for forthcoming editions of the general catalog. For that matter it in my estimation should be called the "LINN plan" for five or six years ago Editor LINN explained almost the identical plan to me that BOKER wrote about in the BEE. As I remember it George said "They will have to come to it sooner or later, if they want a catalog worthy of being called a catalog." I am sure though that if a sensible plan is worked out for a general precancel catalog Mr. LINN will not want nor make any claim to any of the glory that might go with it. Getting back to our knitting tho, in the October issue of the Bee articles S. P. Harmon and Henry Perlish defended the handstamps. There is no doubt that they have some good argument but taking the words of Dr. Hoskins speaking in the Optimist: "Any solution of the problem will have its disadvantages, temporarily or permanently. Few will dispute that statement.

So, it follows that we must prepare to accept some change, presumably the least objectionable. We should weigh the problem with the thought that losses in one direction may easily be offset by gains in some other direction. Until some better suggestion is offered, we will back the Boker plan. You can help the publishers of the catalog to arrive at an early decision by expressing your views to Berton Hoover, 444 Fourth Avenue, New York, N. Y." This I think just about sums up the whole matter.

## NOTES

Connecticut seems to have been a slow state in getting out Presidential precancels but is coming along nicely now. I only have four Conn. items tho.—Some of this week's findings: Alexander, Va., 1c Pres. U-121. 1c Pres. Butler, Pa., U-88. Geo. Class shows me the 1/2, 1, 1 1/2, 3, 4, 4 1/2c from South Royalton, Vt., in U-121 type. That is the first FOUR cent for this column. Another Ohio Pres., 1 1/2c Marysville, U-121.

## Postal Rates Changed By Presidential Proclamation

Usually postal rates are changed by an act of Congress which in turn gives the Postmaster General considerable leeway in making special rates, but on October 31, President Roosevelt by proclamation directed that for the period from Nov. 1, 1938, until June 30, 1939, the postage rates on books shall be 1 1/2c per pound or fraction thereof, irrespective of the zone to which they are addressed. A book in the meaning of the postal rules is a paper or cloth bound publication containing reading matter and advertisements, if any, only concerning books; and having 24 or more pages of which at least 22 shall be printed. The new ruling is intended to benefit the millions of the population who live in rural sections remote from libraries and book stores and is an extension of the policy of low postage rates to encourage dissemination of information. Prior to the proclamation parcel post rates applied to book parcels weighing over eight ounces. The president acted after it was shown that pamphlets of a none too desirable nature could be mailed very cheaply and books of high quality had to pay much higher rates. The proclamation was made under provisions of resolutions of Congress passed during 1933, 1934, 1935 and 1937.

• Toronto's machine cancellation has been advertising "ROYAL WINTER FAIR—TORONTO—Nov. 15th-23rd, 1938."

## Fake Esthonian Sheet

It is now known that the Esthonian miniature sheet of four labels to commemorate international wrestling matches last April is a fake produced and distributed by an A. Elmelo, who was arrested by Esthonian authorities as a result. The fake contains four labels of denominations of 1, 2, 3 and 5 krooni, one of which shows a gentleman in rather scanty apparel hoisting a tree trunk.

## Dealer Goes Bankrupt

According to a newspaper clipping from a San Diego, California, paper, Charles Lee Tubbs of that city was adjudicated bankrupt on October 15 and creditors were to hold a meeting on October 22 in the Bank of America Bldg. This man has been operating a stamp shop in the U. S. Grant Hotel Lobby in that city.

• Now that straightedges are becoming unusual on recent U. S. postage, the Roosevelt Philatelic Society's *Straight Edge* comes decorated with a 25c Documentary lacking teeth on one side.

• MOUNT MITCHELL, N. C., is losing its fourth-class postoffice on November 30. This would be an appropriate cancel for that spare Asheville souvenir sheet.

• The Bingham & Lewiston R. P. O. uses a cancel reading "Rockwood & Oakland." So postcards W. G. Koelln of New York City.



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## PRECANCELS ON APPROVAL

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DOUBLE LINES—GENERALS  
BIG VARIETY—LOW PRICES

K. M. GIERHART BALTIMORE, OHIO

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Classified Advertising under this heading at 5c per word. Five consecutive insertions of same advertisement at 20c per word. 10 insertions at 35c per word. 500 Words to be used as and when desired, \$15.00 with order. All Classified advertising, cash with copy. No advertisement accepted for less than 40 cents. Copy must be in our hands on the second Saturday preceding date of publication.

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**CHRISTMAS COVER. BEAUTIFUL CHRIST-**  
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## APPROVALS — FOREIGN

**SUPERB ONE AND TWO CENT APPROVAL**  
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Scarce new triangle included absolutely free.  
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Tamaqua, Penna. (tf\*)

**FREE—MINT SET OF STAMPS TO AP-**  
proval applicants, 3c postage. World Stamp  
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plicants for really fine approvals. Bill Boyd,  
3422 Tuxedo Ave., Dept. L, Cleveland, Ohio.  
(26\*)

**MINT BRITISH COLONIALS. SEND FOR**  
our price list of these at once. Reasonably  
priced and in excellent condition. Fairmount  
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**SCARCE SWAZILAND, THREE COSTA**  
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dson, (established 1910), Pinellas Park, Florida.  
(tf\*)

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lion, Streator, Illinois. (26)

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**CONSTITUTIONS FREE. ECUADOR THREE**  
regular or airm or one Salvador to approval  
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field, Mo. (26)

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let Ave., Minneapolis. (\*)

## MENTION LINN'S TO ADVERTISERS

## APPROVALS — U. S.

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Stampco, Hastings-on-Hudson, New York.  
(32)

## AUCTIONS

**NEXT SALE NOV. 21st. BE SURE AND**  
order the catalogue. H. Wendt, Waverly,  
Iowa. (25)

**MAIL AUCTION NOVEMBER 28TH. L**  
Kusmierz, 6355 Willette, Detroit, Michigan.

# New Lower Rates for Classified Advertising

Effective with our issue for December rates for classified advertising will be reduced and on the following schedule.

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400 words to be used as and when desired, for	\$10.00

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At this time we will begin to rearrange the style of typesetting on this classified page. In the future the first line will not be set in all capital letters as heretofore, but only the first display word or group of words to attract the eye. Therefore try to write your copy to make the first word or the first two or three words your eye catcher words.

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**JOIN OUR STAMP EXCHANGE. NO CASH** needed. Write for details. H. B. Bliven, Sugar Loaf, N. Y. (26)

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## R. P. O. Titles

Wm. G. Koellin, Penn. Terminal Railway Post Office, New York City, points out that a number of R. P. O.'s use cancellations inscribed differently than the official title and route of the office. Four offices doing so are: "Pulaski & Mt. Airy" which uses a cancellation reading "Pulaski & Galax," "Clovis & Pecos" uses "Clovis & Carlsbad," "Dover & Brewton" cancels as "Dover & Dublin," and "Colum. & Cinn." uses "Pitts. & St. Louis."



# BROADWAY CHATTER

B Y B I S T A N D E R

The report for this week will be the sale held Oct. 20-24 by J. M. Bartels Co., one of New York's largest stamp auctions. For the past few sales, they have been experiencing exceptionally fine floor attendance which gives those who sent in mail bids some steep competition. The sale was conducted by Walter S. Scott, who has been absent from auction work for quite a few months.

Some of the more outstanding items in Bartels' sale were the #32d, type IV with red New York cancellation. This stamp catalogues at \$35.00, sold for \$23.10; #459, the 2c rotary imperf. pair, superb, cataloguing \$120.00, sold for \$85.00; #467, the 5c error in block of 12 sold for \$47.50. Catalogue value is \$50.00, and the #505, 5c error in block of 12 in superb condition which catalogues at \$27.50, was knocked down at \$24.50.

Among the revenues we find #3820, perf. 4c playing card, sold for \$13.25, while catalog value is \$15.00; imperforates showed a favorable trend, i.e., #383, 1c imperf. the four arrow and center line blocks which catalogues at \$15.00, was literally stolen for \$10.25, and #409, 2c imperf. as a lot of four Plate blocks of six, and center line set, cataloguing \$14.00, sold for \$8.25. Again the Zeppelins, #1312-14, have come through with even higher prices than previously reported. The complete set of Zepps was delivered for \$34.35. An interesting item in the Commemorative section is that #297, the 5c Pan-American in superb block, was sold for \$12.00. This block catalogues for \$15.00.

In the Foreign section Canadian Cover Collectors will find the following item to be of interest. The 3c Confederation used together on cover with Bahamas Special Delivery #202 at Winnipeg, addressed to the Bahamas, was sold for \$5.90.

Among the outstanding things to be shown at the exhibition at the Rockefeller Center will be five frames from the collection of Philip H. Ward, Jr. of Philadelphia. Three will be devoted to exhibiting the first issue Imperforates of various countries. Notably a block of 18 of the 1d black of Great Britain mint, a used block of the 2d blue, all of the Brazilian "Bull's Eyes" in blocks. The remaining two panes will exhibit a mint block of 16 of the 5c 1847, the 1861 issue from the 1c to the 12c mint blocks, the August Issue, the Pan American 1c, and 4c blocks with the center inverted, and all of the rare revenues.

If you recall my column in the Oct. 29th issue, a stamp dealer was described as selling stamps on a push cart here in New York. This item brought forth many stories not usually told on Nassau St. It deals with the early stamp settlers on Nassau St. who walked up and down the street with large boards on their arms and pinned on them were the stamps. If you wanted to purchase any of the stamps, you removed the pin which had pierced the stamp, and the stamp was yours, of course, for a nominal fee. This was the beginning of the N. Y. curb exchange.

## O. P. S. Convention

The banquet of the Oklahoma Philatelic Society at its Sixth Annual Convention at Seminole was attended by nearly 200 guests and members. This live mid-western society enlisted over 500 new members during the past year and staged an exhibition of 856 frames. Ponca City is expected to have next year's convention. Highlight of the banquet was the reading of a letter from Postmaster General Farley stating that nine of the "Heroes of Peace" had been decided upon for that proposed issue of ten stamps and that he favored placing Will Rogers upon one of the series. President C. N. A. DeBajligethy of Tulsa was re-elected, as was the Business Secretary, Mrs. C. S. Buxton of Seminole, Okla.

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